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Sent: 24 November 2015 14:13
To: 'David Blagbrough'; Freaney, Fergus
Cc: Planning; Watson, Ed (C&E directorate); Wito, Alan
Subject: RE: 57 and 59 Camden Mews 2015/5046/P and 2015/4564/P

Dear David

Thank you for your email – there have certainly been an increasing number of applications in the mews recently and I share your concern that the character of the area should be protected. I do not know the latest on 57 and 59 so hopefully Fergus can advise on that.

With regard to revision of the Conservation Area Appraisal and Management Strategy, there is currently a review programme led by some of the CAACs themselves. Camden Square's document is fairly recently adopted compared to many others but Alan Wito, who I have copied in, should be able to advise on the most effective way of making amendments.

Best wishes
Phil

Councillor Phil Jones

From: David Blagbrough [REDACTED]
Sent: 22 November 2015 21:00
To: Freaney, Fergus
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Subject: 57 and 59 Camden Mews 2015/5046/P and 2015/4564/P

Dear Fergus

Further to my letters of 24 October and 15 September regarding the developments at 57 and 59 Camden Mews respectively I am wondering whether any decision has been reached on these proposals, both of which we strongly oppose. We are very concerned that a favourable decision on one might be taken as a precedent for another.

As you are possibly aware, the spate of developments in the mews, including the excavations of basements is becoming a major local concern and is causing us to think very carefully about what kind of development would be appropriate for the conservation area and, in particular, how we can preserve the integrity of the Mews. In addition to the normal parameters by which we judge applications – see the attached parameter check list - we have concluded that in the case of developments in both Camden and Murray Mews, a number of additional factors need to be taken into account. These include

1. Restrictions on building a third storey
2. The setting back of the second stories
3. The setting back from the edge of the foot-ways
4. The provision for the internal storage for rubbish and re-recyclable wastes
5. The provision of internal cycle storage - as many properties will not be allowed parking permits

which we hope can formally be adopted as Council policy and enshrined in our Conservation Area Management Strategy. To this end, I am copying this e-mail to Councillor Phil Jones and Ed Watson in the hope that both our views on the proposals for 57 and 59 Camden Mews and the wider issue of broadening the criteria for development permission in the Mews are given serious and favourable consideration.

Warmest regards

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